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Minority Rule

The South isnt dead, at least not yet. Still grasping at straws to maintain its segregated way of life, the last stronghold of American feudalism is slowly dying. But it will die a glorious death, in the traditions of old, going down to defeat with its flags flying. Unfortunately for the rest of the nation, its fruitless struggle will engulf all.

There is an age old saying that if you are in the majority, vote; if you are in the minority, talk. The South has adopted this latter method in an attempt to kill the proposed anti-literacy test law. Due to the peculiar setup in the Senate the South can hold the floor and prevent a vote on the bill. This abuse of freedom of debate has far reaching complications. In this modern day when there is need for quick decisions, our Senate can be bogged down over one issue to the extent of completely ignoring its other responsibilities. The filibuster has come to be a hated word. It was meant as a built-in safeguard against tyranny, but in the end this safeguard could very well lead to our destruction. Without a doubt the filibuster must go. A rapidly changing society demands so. The conflicts of the time demand so.